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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In the Application of:

Raymond G. Goodwin and Wanwan S. Din

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Serial No: 09/302,863

Group Art Unit: 1647

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Examiner: D. Romeo

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For: METHODS OF USE OF THE TACI/TACI-L INTERACTION

**REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION  
under 37 CFR §1.114 Submission**

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**1. Introductory Comments**

Applicants received a final Office Action having a mailing date of January 2, 2003. Applicants' Notice of Appeal was received by the U.S.P.T.O. on July 7, 2003. Rather than Appeal, Applicants have elected to file an RCE. This Submission is being filed in conjunction with a Request for Continued Examination, a Petition for a 5-month extension of time and requisite fees.

Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and allowance of the claims.

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